



Buncombe County Board of Commissioners

Request for Board Action

Meeting Date: 5/7/2024

New Business

Department: Solid Waste

Presenter(s): Dane Pedersen

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Subject: Solid Waste Franchise Contract Approval (First Reading)

Brief Summary:

The Board of Commissioners is requested to approval the Solid Waste Franchise Agreement contract with FCC Environmental Services, LLC for the unincorporated residents of Buncombe County. High-level overview of contract includes:

- Seven (7) years with a one-year (1) option for extension.
- Weekly trash and every-other-week recycling pickup.
- After the first two (2) years, FCC shall be entitled to a subscriber cost increase based on the CPI-U with a floor of 3.5% and cap of 5% increase.
- An Emergency Plan, Contingency Plan, and Transition Plan to ensure a smooth change of operations and continuation of service.
- New rollout carts.

Cost breakdown:

Service Type	Subscriber Cost in 2025-2026
Basic Service	\$28.65
Premium Service	\$59.00
Bulky Pickup Service and Disposal (per item)	\$25
Bear Carts (purchase)	\$320
Bear Carts (monthly lease)	\$10.16
Additional Cart with Service (monthly lease)	\$12.00
Disability Program	\$28.65
Low-Income Program (limited to 700)	15% off Basic Service
Additional Bag Service (per bag)	\$3

Full contract attached.

Recommended Motion & Requested Action:

Staff recommends approval of the contract for the Solid Waste Franchise Agreement with FCC Environmental Services, LLC. To enter into a franchise agreement, two readings are required by the Board of Commissioners. This will be the first reading, the second will be scheduled for May 21, 2024.

County Manager's comments and Recommendation: